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1.	Statement					
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-15	YES		
		Claims		NO		
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-15	YES		
		Claims		NO		
	Industrial applicability	(IA) Claims	1-15	YES		
		Claims		NO		

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

- Document 1: Hiroaki KITANO, "System Biology. Seimei wo System toshite Rikai suru," Shujunsha Co., Ltd., 01 July 2001, pages 72 to 90
- Document 2: JP 10-269050 A (Canon Inc.), 09 October 1998, column 32, line 23 to column 33, line 5, and fig. 16

Document 1 (pages 84 to 85) presents a technique whereby the effects of a medicinal agent upon a gene are visualised by means of a clustered matrix representation.

Meanwhile, document 2 discloses an information processing technique whereby the size of the display screen is compared with the number of items to be processed in order to determine the optimal size of the display region for each individual item, and then the amount of information that is displayed for each individual item is adjusted so as to accommodate said optimal display region size.

With regards to the inventions set forth in claims

1 to 15 of the present application, however, the
technical feature of implementing display control whereby
either a display format in which each phenomenon
constitutes a display unit or a display format in which

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each cluster constitutes a display unit is selected
automatically based on the number of sets of data to be
displayed is not disclosed in either document 1 or
document 2 cited in the international search report, and
would not have been obvious to a person skilled in the
art.